



THURSDAY EVENING, JULY 2, 1908.

MR. BEARD'S contest against Mayor McClellan, of New York, has been dismissed by Judge Lambert and a jury. Mr. McClellan has been unnecessarily worried, but the contest has made lots of publicity for William R. Hearst and his newspapers, and that was of much more importance than getting the mayoralty. The question why Mr. McClellan opposed the recount was easily answered by the gentleman himself, who in a statement issued on Tuesday night said that he has been forced to pay out \$40,000 to defend his title, not including counsel fees which are still unpaid. The mayor directs attention to the fact that, "The result of this enormous expense and this protracted litigation has been to increase my total vote and to diminish my official plurality by about 500 disputed ballots." Mayor McClellan says that he has no regrets as to the course he pursued, and that he feels that the controversy will discourage the bringing of election contests of this sort in the future. He said that had he suspected that his election was the result of fraud, he would have acted differently.

A magnificent highway extending from Washington to Gettysburg, Pa., a distance of 72 miles—as a national memorial to Abraham Lincoln, is the recommendation made yesterday by James T. McClellan, second assistant postmaster general and formerly a member of Congress from Minnesota, to the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Commission. Mr. McClellan's recommendation is contained in a preliminary report to the commission, of which he is a member. A memorial to Washington in the shape of a highway extending from Washington to Mount Vernon was planned many years ago and the people of this city and county spent their money and gave the right of way over their lands for such purpose, but Congress could never be persuaded to make an appropriation looking to the construction of such a road. Had Mount Vernon been on the other side of the river, however, the road, it is believed by many, would long ago have been built.

THE International Paper Company has cut wages 10 per cent. The newspaper publishers recently showed that concern was founded upon the fact that it had raised the price of paper to the consumers, and that the wages it paid were small. And now those wages are cut 10 per cent, though there is no reduction of prices or of duties. During the fall the employees will be implored to vote for Taft lest the terrible demerits should reduce the tariff, and that, of course, would reduce their wages. For the latter they have not had to wait for a democratic victory.

LOTTERY and prize contest promoters are running to cover under a sharp campaign now being conducted against them by the Postoffice Department. It is estimated that the close scrutiny now exercised over all publications has resulted in the exclusion from the second-class privilege of periodicals aggregating 25,000,000 circulation. These were all cheap publications, bulging with "free" offers and prize contests akin to lotteries.

Many of the telegrams which now appear in the papers stating what Mr. Bryan is doing and saying and what he will do should be taken cum grano salis. Several of the press associations are opposed to Mr. Bryan, and do not seem disposed to do him justice.

SECRETARY BONAPARTE is sure that the only way to reach the trusts is to sue them. Most other people think that cutting off their tariff protection would make them more miserable and moreover help those who consume trust products.

THE SUMMER exodus has already commenced. Many while away will wish they were back at home, and many others when they return will regret that they had not staid at home.

### From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, July 2. Luke E. Wright, the new secretary of war, settled down to the work of his office today. He arrived at the office at 9:30 o'clock with Gen. Bell, chief of staff from Fort Meyer, where the former is temporarily a guest of the latter. They came to town in an automobile taking former Secretary of War Taft and Mrs. Taft, who also were guests at the Bell military home until the departure of Mr. Taft tomorrow for Hot Springs. Secretary Wright stated that one of the first questions he took under consideration was that of the appointment of a new chief of engineers. This subject was discussed between him and Mr. Taft and the president at Oyster Bay Saturday. He stated that the president has several officers under consideration and the appointment will be made before the end of this week. It is understood in army circles here that the plum will fall to Col. Wm. L. Marshall in charge of river and harbor work at New York.

About three hundred people assembled at Masonic Temple this morning to hear

the Rev. Gilbert F. Williams, former pastor of Christ Episcopal Church, proclaim his innocence of an act of immorality which caused him to be unfrocked ten years ago. Many women were in the audience. A detail of police was on hand, as it was thought there would be need for their services, but such was not the case.

Albert W. Brickwood, jr., American consul at Puerto Cortez, Honduras, cabled the State Department today announcing the escape of Francis G. Bailey, president of the Export Shipping Company of New Jersey from the Norwegian steamer in the harbor of that port night before last. Mr. Brickwood states that Bailey went over the side of the ship at night and escaped in a small boat, which was found on the beach yesterday. The American authorities have asked the government of Honduras to recapture Bailey. Bailey, who recently escaped from New York had been taken aboard the Norwegian steamer by New York police officials to be returned to the United States for trial.

Confident that the democratic party will come forth as a savior of labor, in its platform, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, left the capital late this afternoon for the Denver convention. He will stop off a few hours in Chicago to learn which way the wind blows down at Lincoln, Neb., and will then continue his trip in company with several labor leaders. The party will arrive in Denver Sunday afternoon about 6 o'clock. The fight for an unqualified anti-union plank, which is the particular desire of the labor men, will be continued Monday by a meeting of the executive council of the American Federation at the Tremont Hotel where the labor headquarters will be established.

The identity of the thief who stole the registered mail pouch containing nearly \$50,000 at Kansas City, Mo., about three weeks ago, is still as much in doubt as it was at first, investigation having disclosed the fact that the negro, Charles Stevens, alias Savage, arrested yesterday at Monroe, Mich., is not the man wanted.

The president today appointed Col. William L. Marshall as chief of the engineer corps of the army to succeed General Alexander McKenize retired for charge. Colonel Marshall is at present in charge of the engineer work in New York harbor.

Ratifications of the arbitration treaty of the United States and Japan will be exchanged at Washington within a few days. The treaty, which was ratified by Japan on July 1, was among those ratified by the Senate shortly before adjournment.

Citizen Taft without an office and only a partially dismantled residence, received callers on the second floor of his house today. Speaker Cannon was the only important visitor Mr. Taft received this morning. He is in town till Monday to take up the matter of the investigation of the heating and lighting of the new House office building. In conversation he said: "In a few days we will see another candidate nominated and the two armies will be up and marching. In one of these I shall take my place whether as private, captain, or colonel, and I will do whatever work is expected of me. My army is the best one I know of and we are going to keep up the policies that have been to the interest and advantage of the people." Mr. Taft will hold a conference with Frank Hitchcock for the chairmanship problem tomorrow before he leaves Washington but no announcement will be made until he meets the committee at Hot Springs.

A fact which may fortell the political fate of Senator Foraker, of Ohio, is that Representative Burton of the same State has gone to Hot Springs, Va., to be in daily conference with Mr. Taft regarding the situation in Ohio.

The new cruiser North Carolina which was to be launched at Newport, N. H., on her "shake down" cruise arrived today off Cape Lookout, N. C., for the purpose of officially receiving the elaborate silver service which is to be presented to her by the officials of the State July 4. There has been considerable friction among North Carolina officials as to the date of presentation.

It was decided today that the formal notification of Taft of his nomination will occur at Cincinnati on July 28.

### EXPRESS CO. TO LOSE BUSINESS

Express companies have just awakened to the fact that they are not likely to carry any small silver coin for the government this year, thereby losing \$60,000 in charges. All of this is because of an amendment slipped into the sundry civil appropriation bill at the last session of Congress by John Wesley Gaines, Tennessee's foe of corporations, who has just been defeated by trust money for re-nomination.

Mr. Gaines' amendment provides that one-half of the \$60,000 appropriation for the transportation of coin shall be expended for registered mail. It was supposed that the express companies would get the remaining \$30,000. Since then Mr. Daakam, chief of the bureau of public monies, has ruled that the law means that \$30,000 should be expended by registered mail before any part of the appropriation is expended for express charges. It is believed at the Treasury Department that as the charges for registering a package is only 8 cents, \$30,000 will be sufficient to pay the entire cost of transporting coins under this system for a year, and the express companies will therefore get none of the business.

### THE STATE'S BUILDING.

The last of the State buildings at the Jamestown Exposition was sold yesterday to William R. Cook and Company, of Norfolk, when the negotiations for the purchase of the Maryland building were closed. The price paid for this handsome structure was \$2,000. It will be used as a private residence.

For several months, Mr. Cook and his associates have been dealing with the various State commissioners for their buildings, and it is understood that this firm and a few private individuals have at last taken over the entire State row from the commission, and will use the majority of the structures for private residences.

The Maryland building cost, without furniture, \$36,000.

The making of a verbal bet at a race does not constitute a crime. This was the decision of Supreme Court Justice Blackish in New York today who today discharged from custody Melville Collins, recently arrested charged with making a verbal bet.

### News of the Day.

Cubis John Hotel, with 70 acres of land, near Washington, was sold yesterday to a syndicate for about \$125,000.

All the Republic Iron and Steel Company mills have ceased operation, as the union agreement and wages scale have expired.

Montana was the last State to hold its democratic convention. The convention instructed its delegates to vote for Bryan as long as his name was before the convention at Denver.

After July 4 all flags made for the use of the government will contain forty stars in the field or union, to conform in number to the states. The additional star follows the admission of Oklahoma to the family of states.

The engineer, fireman and a number of passengers of the Texas and Pacific passenger train which left El Paso yesterday afternoon are reported killed by dispatches just received from Boracho, Texas. The train, so the telegrams say, ran into a washout early this morning and the engine and two coaches plunged over a high embankment.

Walter J. Rattner, formerly vice president and general counsel of the Western Pacific Railway and vice president and general counsel of the California Safe Deposit and Trust Company, which failed in San Francisco last November for about \$9,000,000, was yesterday sentenced to the San Quentin penitentiary for 10 years by Superior Judge Conley.

Vice President Fairbanks, who will visit Quebec, Canada, as the official representative of the United States government at the celebration of the foundation of the Canadian city, will have as his military aide Mr. T. Bentley Mott, 4th Field Artillery, stationed at Fort Sheridan. Mr. Mott was formerly stationed at Paris as military attaché of the United States embassy, and is familiar with the language and customs of the French. He is a native of Leeburg and has many friends in this city and vicinity.

### Virginia News.

Thomas Bolling, brother of General Stith Bolling, of Petersburg, died yesterday in Nottoway county.

The State building at the Jamestown exposition represented nearly a half million dollars expenditure.

Thomas Fitzgerald, Harry K. Wolcott and Hugh M. Kerr were yesterday appointed at Norfolk receivers for the Norfolk and Southern Railroad on petition of the Trust Company of America, joined by the railroad. Today they took over the railroad.

Governor Swanson has granted a reprieve to Lee Strother, the Madison county negro, who was sentenced to die July 10th for the assault on a white girl of that county some months ago. There is an application pending for a commutation of the sentence to life imprisonment.

Clarence W. Douglas, a merchant of Lodge, Northumberland county, on Tuesday shot John Purcell, of near that place, in the foot with a shotgun and after the shooting beat the prostrate man over the head with the gun. Douglas and Purcell got into a dispute over an account and Douglas ordered Purcell away from his store.

Governor Swanson has accepted the vice-presidency of the International Congress on Tuberculosis that is to be held in Washington under the auspices of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, from September 21 to October 12. Among the members of the Virginia committee having the Congress in charge is Dr. Hugh McGuire, of this city.

### BYRD LAW DEFECTIVE.

An important case, involving the validity of the Byrd law, prohibiting the sale of liquors to habitual drunkards, was decided in Manchester yesterday. The case resulted in two grave defects in the law being pointed out, with the result that the two persons on trial were acquitted. Mayor Maurice sat in the case.

Connie Dobbins, proprietor, and Olton Elder, bartender, were charged by Mr. George Stein with selling liquor to her husband, "an habitual drunkard," after she had written a letter to the proprietor asking him not to sell to her husband, testifying to Stein's habit.

Chief of Police Lipscomb stated that Stein had been before the court repeatedly for drunkenness; that Stein had been made to take the pledge, put under bond and sent to jail, but that all efforts to reform him had been futile.

Ernest Wells, of counsel for the prisoners, said that the Byrd law did not even attempt to define an habitual drunkard, and that, therefore, the charge of selling to such a one could never be proved, nor could a conviction be procured under this law. He said that the Byrd law placed the responsibility of deciding that a man was not entitled to any liquor on the bartender, and that in this case the accused had proved that so far as they were concerned Stein was not an habitual drunkard, and was, therefore, entitled to buy liquor from them the same as any other man. Mr. Wells maintained that the highest court in the land differed as to what constituted an habitual drunkard, and it was, therefore, all the more impossible for Dobbins and Elder to say who is or is not an habitual drunkard.

Mayor Maurice, in rendering his decision, said: "There is some doubt as to what really and legally constitutes an habitual drunkard. Since my own knowledge has been called in the case I am bound to say I do not believe Dobbins knew of Stein's habits. I discharge you both, and now here warn every bartender in Manchester not to sell a drink of liquor of any kind to George Stein."

### Fast Battleship.

London, July 2.—A battleship of 17,250 tons displacement crossing the Atlantic at the unprecedented speed of 23 knots an hour. This is what England is promising when the Prince of Wales sails for Canada on the Indomitable for the Quebec centenary. The trial trip of the Indomitable yesterday, however, shows that the claims for the Indomitable are well founded. The Indomitable is a sister ship of the Indomitable, in her trial trip on the Clyde she made close to 27 knots. The Indomitable, which contains many new features of naval construction, is said to be even faster than the Indomitable. When the Indomitable sails the order will be given to push the giant vessel for every ounce of her speed to the entire voyage.

### Today's Telegraphic News.

#### Writ of Error.

(Special dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.) Richmond, Va., July 2.—The Court of Appeals today allowed a writ of error and supersedeas in the case of the Washington, Southern Railway against Robert M. Ochsire on the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria.

The case was tried before Judge Alkin who came here especially for that purpose. The jury gave the plaintiff damages in the sum of \$1,000 for injuries claimed to have been sustained by a turntable the property of the defendant company.

#### The Denver Convention.

Denver, July 2.—It begins to look like a simple case of arithmetic so far as the nomination for vice-president and the determination of platform questions are concerned. Diligent search throughout Denver fails to reveal more than three persons who are not willing to wager that Bryan will have more votes than the necessary two-thirds—668 votes—on the first ballot next Wednesday.

These are Frederick B. Lynch, official custodian of the Johnson boom and the firm of Marvel and Benish, promoters of the Gray campaign. The Bryantes claim at least 750 votes on the initial roll call. With the nomination of the head of the ticket thus settled, the trend of discussion has drifted in the direction of the vice-presidency and certain features of the platform. Considered mathematically, there can be no other conclusion than that a man acceptable to the Fairview farmer will be accepted for his running mate and that the platform will be one approved by him.

The fact seems to have been overlooked that whereas a two-thirds vote is required to nominate the candidates, only a majority is necessary to adopt the report of the committee on resolutions. With Bryan even more securely in control of the national committee and the prospective resolutions committee than Taft was at Chicago, it is difficult to understand how a majority of the 1,002 delegates could be induced to vote against the policies which he represents.

In the matter of the vice presidential nomination and disputed planks of the platform, it may be stated on the authority of one of the Nebraska's closest friends that he is not a dictatorial character. Bryan will be entirely satisfied with any one of a number of men who have been proposed for second place on the ticket.

The impression prevails that Judge Gray is his favorite, but it is known that Bryan has lent encouragement to the aspirations of Charles A. Towne, of New York.

As to the platform, Bryan will be willing to compromise, to a certain extent, with the ideas of the so-called conservative element of the party. He will insist that the policies upon which he will go before the voters of the country shall be progressive, but not necessarily radical.

There will be an anti-injunction plank, but it will not be so broad as has been demanded by labor leaders. In other words, Bryan, as the choice of more than two-thirds of the delegates to the convention, will exercise the right to veto both as to the platform and his running mate.

A considerable boost was given today to the candidacy of W. G. Conrad, of Montana, a native Virginian and a Simon-pure Bryanite, by reason of the instructions of the Montana state convention held yesterday. The Conrad boomers expect to obtain generous support from the south where he is said to be well and favorably known.

Chicago, July 2.—Charles F. Murphy, high chief of Tammany; Judge Allan B. Parker, Leads Nixon, Chairman Connors and sixteen other Tammany braves, arrived here today from New York and all but Parker departed at once for Denver, where they will mingle in the preliminary "doings" of the democratic national convention.

Judge Parker announced that he would follow his fellow-democrats at 2 p. m. Murphy was asked if he believed the platform would contain any radical planks, such as the anti-injunction plank advocated by Samuel Gompers, and he replied that he did not think so, believing that the platform would be "mild and sane."

#### Socialist Labor Party.

New York, July 2.—Seventy-one men gathered at Arlington Hall today, their purpose being the naming of a national ticket in opposition to the socialist party and the fighting what they term class organization in the socialist party.

The men represented 18 state organizations of socialist labor party of America, delegated to vote for their locals until a complete national ticket has been named and placed on the ballot slips in the presidential election of 1908.

After the selection of John Kirober, of Cleveland, Ohio, as temporary chairman speech began to tell of what is expected of the party during the present campaign. Prominent men in the socialist labor movement declared that the same platform as adopted at the national convention of 1904 would be adopted with minor changes on Saturday. The men prominently mentioned for nomination for president are James P. Hunter, a "live-and-let-live" Providence, R. I., and Robert R. Downey, a physician of Virginia.

The platform to be adopted by the convention advocates ownership of the machinery of the government, transportation facilities, means of produce and the collective ownership of land. The platform also advocates the abolishment of so-called class rule, but only at the socialist party as headed by Eugene Debs for making distinctions between social and working conditions. The convention will be in session for four days, the nominations being made on Saturday.

#### SCIENCE PREVENTS BALDNESS.

The Fatal Germ and Its Remedy Now Facts of Science.

It is the rarest thing in the world for a man to be necessarily bald. No man whose hair is not dead at the roots, need be bald if he will use Herpelid's Herpelid, the new scalp anti-septic. Herpelid destroys the germ that causes the hair to fall out, and causes the scalp of dandruff and leaves it in a perfectly healthy condition. Mr. Manuett, in the Maryland-Plover, Butte, Mont., was cured of his hair loss by using Herpelid. It had removed the enemies of hair growth, and nature did its work by covering his head with thick hair an inch long, and in six weeks he was a normal man. Herpelid is sold by Dr. E. Allen & Co., agents. Two sizes 50c and \$1.00. Send 10c in stamps for sample to The Herpelid Co., Detroit, Mich.

#### The Market.

Georgetown P. C., July 2.—Wheat 75-85.

### The Poisoning of Dr. Wilson.

Philadelphia, July 2.—The search for evidence in connection with the killing of Dr. W. H. Wilson by cyanide of potassium continues today. Two women and a man, the latter husband of a woman who is alleged to have died by a criminal operation under the doctor's hands, are suspected and should certain proof be obtained they may be arrested at any hour. One of the women is said to be this man's sister and the other a relative of the poisoned doctor. The latter is believed to have ransacked the Wilson villa at Cornwells, Pa., after the death of the physician.

That there were many who suffered at Wilson's hands is indicated by the receipt of denunciatory letters by the officials and newspapers of the city. One of the letters reads:

"Praise to the slayer of Dr. Wilson of 1007 Seventh street, the meanest white man that lived. He charged unwilling mothers \$200 for pretended natural relief. A fake drug man. City Hall know all about him. Hell too good for him."

#### Head-on Collision.

Sedalia, Mo., July 2.—Meeting head-on in a heavy fog that shut out the view until too late to avert the catastrophe while traveling at high speed, the California limited, one of the crack trains of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, which left St. Louis last night and the St. Joseph express, eastbound, were wrecked near Knobnoster, 20 miles west of here, early today. Locomotives, tenders, mail cars and forward coaches of both trains were reduced to splinters. Fire broke out in the debris after the wreck.

Seven persons were killed and a score severely hurt, according to latest advice. Failure of the limited to take a siding is said to have caused the wreck.

Most of the passengers were asleep when the crash came. They were hurried from their seats or berths and those in the forward cars plunged beneath the debris.

#### The Revolution in Mexico.

San Antonio, Texas, July 2.—All doubt regarding the genuineness of the Mexican revolution was removed by the discovery here today of complete plans for the uprising in the office of the Sociedad Benevolencia, an alleged Mexican fraternal order.

The officials of the society were arrested and will either be spirited across the Mexican border or an attempt made to extradite them. Should they be returned to Mexico a death penalty will surely await them.

Reports of little outbreaks are still coming in, though Mexican soldiers are in complete control of the situation. Twelve of the revolutionists were shot to death near Las Vacas by a company of Rurales. United States troops are watching the situation closely at Del Rio.

#### Six Hundred Persons Drowned.

Victoria, B. C., July 2.—Six hundred persons have been drowned in a storm in the harbor of Batavia. A large number of heavily loaded vessels were in the harbor at the time, and many were capsized, throwing their passengers into the water. Fishermen rescued a large number, but more than 600 perished. Passengers of the Empress describe the struggles of the drowning people as terrible. Many fought frantically with instructions of the Montana state convention held yesterday. The Conrad boomers expect to obtain generous support from the south where he is said to be well and favorably known.

#### Bishop Potter's Condition.

Cooperstown, N. Y., July 2.—Fighting off death with a vitality which has amazed his physicians Bishop Potter, of New York, is still battling with his disease at Fernleigh, the family home here. That there is practically no hope of his survival is admitted by Dr. Imogene Bassett, the woman physician to whose constant ministrations Bishop Potter largely owes his grip of life.

From all over America and from abroad messages and cables of inquiry are arriving hourly. The replies to these hold out no hope of recovery.

Bishop Potter's physicians issued the following bulletin this morning: "Bishop Potter's condition continues practically the same as last evening. He has apparently not lost ground, but continues in a very critical state."

#### Attempt to Dynamite Residence.

Pittsburg, July 2.—Four persons were badly injured in McKeesport early today when alleged members of the "Black Hand" society attempted to dynamite the home of George Devoletoria, a prosperous shoemaker. The Devoletoria's home was partly wrecked and a neighboring home was badly damaged.

Devoletoria had received three letters within the last month, threatening death unless he left \$2,000 under the Fort Wayne Railroad bridge before July 1. To these he paid no attention and the explosion was the result.

#### Congressman Sherman.

Cleveland, July 2.—Congressman James S. Sherman, accompanied by his wife and Dr. Carter, left for his home at Utica at 8 a. m. today. He was taken from Lakeside Hospital to the depot in former Governor Herriek's automobile and was removed from that to the train in an invalid chair. Mrs. Sherman was also too weak to walk from the automobile.

#### New York Stock Market.

New York, July 1.—The market was strong in the early trading and fractional gains were made in many stocks during the first half hour. The higher bids were quickly supplied and then prices receded. Pennsylvania's sold at 101 3/4 for the first time since the new issue was made. At the end of the hour the majority of stocks traded in showed small fractional gains.

After the first hour market ruled strong at the slightest net gains established in the earlier trading and the dealings were without importance and extremely small in volume.

#### Help for Those Who Have Stomach Trouble.

After doctoring for about twelve years for a bad stomach trouble, and spending nearly five hundred dollars for medicine and doctors' fees, I purchased my wife one box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, which did her so much good that she continued to use them and they have done her more good than all of the medicine I bought before. SAMUEL BOYER, Polson, Iowa. This medicine is for sale by W. F. Orlington & Co. and Richard Gibson. Samples free.

### Widow, Not Wife, at Ill Man's Bed-side.

Mount Clemens, Mich., July 2.—It is not Mrs. Dolly Logan Tucker who is the watchful nurse at Colonel W. C. Tucker's bedside, but another woman, Mrs. Myrtle Platt, widow of Captain Ralph Platt. Colonel Tucker, who lies hovering between life and death, has submitted to an operation by which his weight was reduced eighty pounds. With him also is his sister, Mrs. J. P. Johnson.

Before the colonel collapsed at Mount Clemens, Mrs. Platt came here and procured a cottage for him. "I am here," said Mrs. Platt, "as Mrs. Johnson's guest. Why I am here other than that I can see no reason why the public should be interested. No, at this time I can make no statement as to our position with reference to Mrs. John A. Logan's charges that I have been friendly with her son-in-law."

#### ENGINEER KILLED BY BOY.

Engineer R. M. Stultz, aged 40, of the Seaboard Air Line, whose wife and eight children live at Roanoke, Va., was shot, and died at Raleigh, N. C., at 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning. A pistol bullet severed an artery in his left leg and he bled to death. He had prepared to take out his engine, and within twenty minutes after leaving the train order room he staggered back into it, fell to the floor, and died, refusing to tell how he was shot or by whom.

Turner Smith, a 19-year-old boy, living within two blocks of the station, was arrested, charged with the killing. Before the coroner's jury last night Smith testified that some man about 11 o'clock Tuesday night peeped through the blinds while Smith's 17-year-old sister was undressing. The girl awoke her brother, and the man fled. About 1 o'clock a man came again through a side gate to the window, and young Smith, who was awake, shot again at a man, who disappeared. A few moments afterward Stultz was dying in the train room. A pistol was found in his overalls pocket.

Mrs. Smith, her daughter and son testified that they did not know Stultz. The coroner's jury adjourned until today for further investigation.

About two years ago Stultz was convicted at Monroe, N. C., of a somewhat similar offense. He was fined \$500.

#### OAD FROM HARRY KRAMER.

To the Editor of the Alexandria Gazette:

I suppose you have heard of myself and a lady from the Buffalo Bill show, who arrived in town yesterday. This lady is to take part in my bicycle act at the state and county fairs in various parts of the United States. I am now practicing with her and framing up the act to be produced at the fairs. I have not been living with my wife for a long time, she having instituted a divorce against me some weeks ago. My wife has not performed with me for years, and my recital for lady riders. I am paying the wife \$15 per week alimony. Yesterday she made a criminal attack upon Mrs. Lele B. Parr, who was with me. She is from Cheyenne, Wyoming—a western woman. The scene occurred on the corner of Prince and Royal streets at the Mount Vernon station. My wife tackled this lady but she did not frighten this girl at all. She is not the kind to be frightened. I think she has no right to annoy us after I have been paying her alimony and she suing me for a divorce. I have not lived with her for a year, and I can't take any more such receptions from her as the one last night. It is no use for her to be fooling with me like that, as I am done with her hereafter and have one now that can ride a bike like she did the bucking broncho with the Buffalo Bill show. I intend to pay her \$15 per week hereafter, but she must not bother or annoy us in such a fashion as she did last night. It was a bad predicament to get into. For awhile I thought the cops would get us all and put us in the calaboose. Enough said.

HARRY KRAMER.

[COMMUNICATED.]

#### A TAXPAYER'S QUERIES.

Why do two-thirds of the taxpayers have to pay for a pair of horses, a driver, a sweeper and a sprinkler that they never see? Why not hire another driver and pair of horses, and give each taxpayer his or her share of what he or she pays for?

Whose duty is it to look after the gutters? Each year some street is improved, and while that is being done, the alleys and gutters of the great part of our city are growing up in grass and reeking in filth. How can the city officials expect property holders, whose tenants more on account of filthy gutters, to have the money to pay their taxes? The conditions are such, that the writer would suggest that the mayor hire a carriage at the city's expense, take with him Mr. Strauss and any other member of the City Council, who was on the grand jury, go into every alley and street; and if those men don't find, in our filthy gutters and grass-grown alleys—where all kind of refuse is thrown—a greater menace to a far greater number of lives than they found in the condemned school building, then the writer has made a great mistake. Let the observations of these men be reported to council, and some action be taken.

A SUFFEEER

Who has made many appeals, to many officials, without any redress.

#### Over Thirty-five Years.

In 1872 there was a great deal of diarrhoea, dysentery and cholera in factum. It was at this time that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was first brought into use. It proved more successful than any other remedy or treatment, and has for thirty-five years maintained that record. From a small beginning it is now used and has extended to every part of the United States and to many foreign countries. Nine druggists out of ten will recommend it when their opinion is asked, although they have other medicines that pay them a greater profit. It can always be depended upon, even in the most severe and dangerous cases. For sale by W. F. Orlington & Co. and Richard Gibson.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, LILLIAN B. McKEENEY, who died July 2, 1907—one year ago today. God called her home, it was His will; But in